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CIRCUIT COURT

The periodic special term of the Circuit Court was held here this week. A grand jury was empaneled and a low record was made of indictments, but five being returned. The flood interfered with the court Monday, train 141 being annulled and the most of the witnesses as well as a number of the jurymen coming from the upper end of the county, the court did not do much on the first day. Judge Sharp presided the first day. Judge Dice was elected as a special judge on the second day and held the remainder of the term. He will return and hold that part of the April term which cannot be held by Judge Sharp on account of his connection with certain cases, including practically all of the criminal cases.

As Judge Dice discharged the grand jury he spoke with much feeling as to his pleasant associations in this county and referred them to 1 Samuel 12 chapter, 3 verse: Oa looking up the reference we find:

"Behold here I am: witness against me before the Lord, and before his appointed: whose ox have I taken? or whose ass have I taken? or whom have I defrauded? whom have I oppressed, or of whose hand have I received any bribe to blind mine eyes therewith? and I will restore it you."

It will be a source of lasting regret to the jurors that they failed to respond in kind and refer the Judge to the fourth verse of the same chapter.

The motion of Dr. A. O. Howard for a change of venue was refused, no facts being shown which in the opinion of the court justified a change of venue. Before his appointment as prosecuting attorney, W. A. Bratton had been summoned as a witness in this case, and this making it manifestly impossible for him to conduct the prosecution, under the statute in such cases, Judge Dice appointed as special prosecutor Capt. S. B. Avis, of Charleston.

The World's Greatest War, thrilling and authentic scenes from the battle fields of all the warring nations. Five reels of real history will be shown at Amus Saturday night March 17th. This is an expensive picture, but wishing to give all school pupils a chance to see it we will put it on at regular Saturday prices, all seats 10 cents.

The maple sugar season started so late this year that the manufacturers are apprehensive of a very short season as the second sap will come close on the heels of the first flow.

The first thirteen days of March according to navigating instruments at the office of the local observer, S. L. Brown, showed 6.33 inches of rainfall. For the last two weeks we have been of the mist.

MRS. ELLEN GORDON

Mrs. Ellen Gordon, wife of Mitchell Gordon, died at her home near Hillsboro, March 5, 1917. She was born in Augusta county, Virginia, eighty-one years ago. Removing with her husband to Highland county, Va., where they lived for a number of years, later coming to Pocahontas county and lived at Beaver Dam for a score or more years, until coming to Hillsboro several years ago.

She is survived by her husband, three sons and three daughters—John W. of Pennsylvania; Alexander, of Minnesota; Jesse, at home; Mrs. Sallie B. Mundy of Colorado; Mrs. Nannie Sutton and Mrs. Nella Hefner of Pocahontas county; and two brothers, James Hultz, of Hillsboro, and Samuel Hultz, of Missouri.

Early in life Sister Gordon united with the Baptist church in which she remained a loyal member till coming to Highland county, Va. There being no church of her denomination near her she joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and continued a consistent and devoted Christian to the end of her life.

For several years Mrs. Gordon had been confined to her home and much of that time was unable to leave her room except where she or some member of the family could roll her invalid chair. During this protracted period of practically helplessness and suffering she manifested a beautiful Christian spirit. We never heard her murmur nor complain, but showed the most beautiful and perfect Christian resignation. With her it was always, "Not my will O Lord, but thine be done."

About a month previous to her death when her disease seemed to have assumed an acute form, speaking to her pastor in reference to her condition said: "I believe my call has come, but I am ready to go if my Master call. I have no fears. All is well with my soul and I meet him in peace."

Her funeral took place from the home at one o'clock March 7, conducted by her pastor, Rev. W. D. E. Eye, assisted by Rev. J. W. McNeill, long a friend of the family, after which her body was laid to rest in the McNeel cemetery to await the resurrection morn.

W. D. E.

During daylight and dark Monday there passed under the Greenbrier bridge at this place some water. It moved at the rate of ten miles an hour and during that period 4,300,000,000 pounds of water flowed under the bridge according to a close calculation made by a local scientist. In found numbers if all the people of the world had been using of the water that went under the bridge that day there would have been more than one quart to each person.

J. E. Buckley has been appointed one of the commissioners in chancery of the circuit court.

MRS. MARY BROCK

Mrs. Mary Brock, wife of John Brock, of Bruffays Creek died February 24, 1917, aged 72 years.

Her funeral was held from Emmanuel church, conducted by her pastor, Rev. Mr. Parker, of the Baptist church.

Early in life she united with the Methodist church and continued a consistent and loyal member of the same until about fifteen years ago when she united with the Baptist church in which she remained a loyal member until she was called by death to join the church triumphant. She was always able to give a reason for the hope which was in her. During her last illness Sister Brock gave abundant testimony to the saving grace of the Lord Jesus. She would say frequently to those ministering to her in her last hours, that she was ready to meet Him in whom she believed and was persuaded that which she had committed unto Him. He to whom she had been a faithful servant in life did not forsake her in the hour of death. She died in great peace and with full assurance of a glorious waking in His likeness.

Her body rests in the cemetery by Emmanuel church on Bruffays Creek; her soul has triumphantly gone home to dwell with the redeemed singing the "new song" on the other shore.

She is survived by her husband, and five children, three sons and two daughters: Alpheus, Allen and Robert Tharp; and Mrs. Myrtle Morrison of Pocahontas county, and Mrs. Maria Weekley, of Fayette county, all of whom were the children of her first marriage. One son, Jesse, preceded her to the grave two years ago.

D. M. K.

Trustee's Sale

Of Personal Property

Pursuant to authority vested in me by a deed of trust dated October 5, 1916, executed by Rachel Graham to me as trustee to secure Magnolia Sheets, now Magnolia Carpenter, of record in the office of the clerk of the county court of Pocahontas County, West Virginia, in trust deed book number 10 on page 80, I will on

THURSDAY, MARCH 29, 1917, beginning at one o'clock p. m., at the residence of William Graham, in Marlinton, West Virginia, on Camden Avenue, sell at public auction to the highest bidder the following described personal property:

- 1 piano, 2 iron beds with cotton mattresses and springs, 1 child's bed and mattress, 1 sewing machine, 1 dresser, 1 chiffonier, 2 stand tables, 1 library table, 4 sections of bookcase base and top, 20 volumes "The Book of Knowledge," 1 lot of books, 1 ladies writing desk, 1 Davenport, 4 rockers, 1 Axminster rug 12x12, 1 round extension table, 1 set shoemaker tools, 1 deer hide, 9 dining chairs, 1 sideboard, 1 refrigerator, 1 range, 1 kitchen table, 17 pictures, 1 clock, 1 lot dishes, 9 doz. fruit jars, 1 pair curtain stretchers, rake, hoes and spades, 1 set carpenter tools, 1 ice cream freezer, cooking utensils, 2 washtubs and board, 2 screen doors, 1 window screens, 15yds matting, 3 small rugs, 1 oil stove, 14 window shades, 1 baby carriage, 1 porch swing, 1 child's sled.

Terms of Sale, Cash. ANDREW PRICE, Trustee M. F. Gum, Auctioneer.

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THE FLOOD

Monday was flood day in the Greenbrier Valley. At Marlinton the extremely high water came as a surprise as there had been no unusual fall of rain. At dark Sunday night the word came from Durbin that rain had fallen heavily all day, with a warm wind that was melting the deep snow in the mountains.

At Marlinton the river lacked several feet of being as high as four years ago this month. In Knapps Creek there was but a small tide.

But from Winterburn to Cloverlick the river was unusually high. At Winterburn a bridge was washed out. Above Durbin a lot of railroad track was overflowed and washed. Near Hostormer the track was under water, and at Nida, the new mill town, A. V. Miller lost some lumber and had his bridge washed out and his railroad much damaged. At Cass on the east side of the town was overflowed. F. S. Wise & Company at Cloverlick, lost a lot of logs, had the approach to their railroad bridge washed away. To save their bridge their log train and steam loader was put below it. As the logs and drift came against the bridge, the logs were loaded on the trucks and the drift thrown over the bridge with the loader. On Thorny Creek the Kendall Lumber Company's log road was considerably damaged.

All day long logs and drift floated by continuously. From the number of fine saw logs passing the loss to the lumber companies must have been very heavy.

Lightning struck the telephone line leading into George A. C. Audridge's home last Sunday morning and killed a yearling beifer that was standing within a rod of his house. No one was at home except Mr. Audridge's aged mother. The lightning struck a pole about a hundred yards away and followed the line until it came to a pole which had a ground connection. It went down this pole and killed the calf which was standing near. No trace of the hundred yards of wire can be found, the electricity, however, consuming it. A few years ago Mr. Audridge's house was struck and his dog killed and a little later lightning set fire to his granary.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Winters McNeill, at Buckeye, Monday, March 11, a daughter.

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Marlinton, West Virginia

FORD CARS REPLACE LOS ANGELES PATROLMEN

For sane, practical and far-sighted reduction of Police Department expenditures Los Angeles, California, is after a long credit mark.

The entire department is being "Fordized." That is, where three patrolmen were formerly used, the services of two are now being dispensed with while the third is provided with a Ford, in which to cover the territory formerly covered by the three on-foot.

Not only is this plan destined to work a great saving for the taxpayers, but it is expected to accomplish far-reaching results in ridding the city of undesirable characters.

In commenting upon the adopting of the Ford cars in police work, Captain R. S. Hunt, of the University Station, Los Angeles, said: "Ordinarily a patrolman in the residence district, on the lookout for burglars, auto thieves and other criminals, walks about twelve miles in a night. With a Ford, even when driving very slowly and making frequent stops, a patrolman drives sixty miles. Therefore, even when two patrolmen use the same Ford, they cover as much ground in a night as five men would cover without a car.

Also, it might be added that better service results. The driver of each car is compelled to report in by telephone every thirty minutes. We have two Fords in this district. Therefore, we are in touch with a Ford patrolman every fifteen minutes. With an order from the station to guide him, the patrolman in a car can speed up and go to any point he is directed to and be there in a few minutes."

In Oakland, California, and other cities over the country, Fords have been used by the police with good results for some time. Sixteen Fords are now used by the Oakland Department.

IN MEMORY

Of Mrs. Elizabeth Trainer, the beloved wife of J. H. Trainer, who died at her home near Trainingsville, West Virginia, on Monday, March 12, 1917, aged 67 years, 11 months and 21 days.

She was the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Osborne Hamilton, of Highland county, Va., and became the wife of J. H. Trainer April 10, 1866. To this union 15 children were born. Four have preceded their mother to the Great Beyond; while five boys, six girls, her aged husband, 52 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends survive her. The children are John, William, James, Albert and Russell Trainer; Mrs. Mary Brown, Della Wade and Mrs. Ida Buzzard, of Neola; Mrs. Sallie Groetz of Mt. Grove, and Mrs. Jennie Sue Jeffers, of Lewisburg.

She was laid to rest in the family burial ground near her home on Sunday evening following her death. Four of her grandsons—Harry and Russell Van-vuren, Willie Wade and Lonnie Trainer, were her pall bearers.

Mrs. Trainer will be sadly missed in her home and in the community where she lived. She was a devoted wife, a kind and affectionate mother and was loved by all who knew her. She always wore a smile of welcome for every one. We extend our heart-felt sympathy to the aged husband and bereaved children in the loss of their loved one.

Mother thou hast left us lonely, Here thy loss we deeply feel; But 'tis God who has bereft us, He can all our sorrows heal.

J. E. T.

A ballot used in an election cannot be ignored, or disregarded merely because of unauthorized or inadvertent substitution of a false for a true initial letter of the candidate's surname, says Judge C. W. Lynch, president of the supreme court of appeals of West Virginia, in a warning a peremptory writ of mandamus against the county court of Kanawha county on petition of E. B. Morton. The county court is directed by the writ to issue a certificate of election.

By an almost unanimous vote the two towns of Mt. Hope and Macdonald in Fayette county, voted to consolidate under one charter, retaining the name of Mt. Hope. By extending the boundary lines Mt. Hope becomes the largest town in that county, with a population in excess of Montgomery, Fayetteville or Oak Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bright, of Hillsboro, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Travis, here last

Saves Eggs

Royal Baking Powder makes it possible to produce appetizing and wholesome cakes, muffins, cornbread, etc., with fewer eggs than are usually required.

In many recipes the number of eggs may be reduced and excellent results obtained by adding an additional quantity of Royal Baking Powder, about a teaspoon, for each egg omitted. The following tested recipe is a practical illustration:

SPONGE CAKE
DIRECTIONS—Boil sugar and water until syrupy and add to the stiffly beaten whites of eggs, beating until the mixture is stiff. Add to this three times the flour, salt and baking powder, beat well of eggs until thick; add a little at a time four more and egg whites alternately to white of egg mixture, stirring after each addition. Add 1 cup cold water and flavoring. Mix lightly and bake in moderate oven one hour.

The old method called for 6 eggs and no baking powder

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EDRAY DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

County Superintendent B. B. Williams conducted the chapel service on Monday of the previous week. His subject, "Seeing Little things small, and large things big," was ably discussed, and interspersed with his characteristic humor.

The following pupils have been elected to the Kiley Literary Society to represent it in its annual inter-society literary contest—Debate, Clarence Smith and Joseph Burns; Essay, Pleas Richardson; Oration, William Keene, and Reader, Mabel Dilley. The Tenneyson Society elected the following—Debate, Earl Carter and Fred French Moore; Essay, Marie Smith; Oration, Mary Eskridge, and Reader, Marjorie Warwick.

The following have offered cash prizes of \$2.50 to the better speaker in a single contest—The First National Bank, The Bank of Marlinton, The Marlinton Drug Store and Mr. C. J. Richardson.

Rev. George P. Moore conducted the chapel service on Tuesday. His discourse, "The Importance of the Present," was instructively discussed. His visit was greatly appreciated, as he was the first out-of-town chapel speaker.

The high school will conduct again for the season of 1917-1918 its annual entertainment course. The talent will be more excellent than of the past season—four or five numbers will be tendered. Not all of the talent has been definitely decided upon, but will probably be "Burns of the Mountain," whose reputation extends far and wide. Leland Powers, the greatest reader in America, Margaret Stahl, the Hampton Court Singers, and the Metropolitan Grand Quartet. These numbers represent the cream in each line on the American platform. Heretofore the High school has conducted such courses, and as such things are of a literary nature, they will continue to be under the proper and appropriate management.

In connection with the regular high school for next year, a Junior High school will be formed of the pupils who compose the regular eighth grade pupils of the district or adjoining districts.

During the annual meeting of

the Greenbrier and New River Valley Round Table held at Beckley, W. Va., in October 1916, this organization divided into two sections: that of the Greenbrier Valley Round Table, composed of the counties of Pocahontas, Greenbrier and Monroe; and that of the New River Valley Round Table, composed of the counties of Summers, Fayette and Raleigh. The following officers are of the Greenbrier Valley Round Table—County Superintendent B. B. Williams, president; W. E. Richardson, first vice-president; W. W. Baker, second vice-president, and M. Merrells, secretary-treasurer. The first annual meeting will be held in Marlinton during October 1917.

The Public Service Commission of West Virginia, Capitol Building, Charleston

A meeting of the Public Service Commission of West Virginia, held on the 12th day of February, A. D., 1917.

Case No. 550
Marlinton & Stony Creek Mutual Telephone Company

Application to change rates. Whereas application to change rates has this day been filed by the Marlinton & Stony Creek Mutual Telephone Company, it is hereby ordered that leave be granted to any person interested to file objection thereto before the Commission at any time on or before the 30th day of March, 1917, and this matter be set down for hearing at a meeting of the Commission to be held at its office in the Capitol Building on the 30th day of March, 1917, at 2 o'clock p. m., at which time any person may appear and make such objections as may be deemed proper.

R. B. BERNHEIM, Secretary.

The proposed change of rates to renters is from \$6.00 to \$7.00 per year.

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